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TAGS: PORG (NAMCC), PEPR, APER, OTRA (GRAHAM, JOHN, AND
KIMBALL, ROBERT), AF

1. BECAUSE OF THE UPCOMING MINISTERIAL MEETING OF
THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT COORDINATING COMMITTEE (NAMCC),
THE GOVERNMENT OF AFGHANISTAN (GOA) HAS IMPOSED CERTAIN
STRICT ENTRY RESTRICTIONS FOR FOREIGNERS TRAVELING TO
KABUL BETWEEN APRIL 30 AND MAY 12. WE ASSUME THAT
JOHN GRAHAM, USUN, AND ROBERT KIMBALL, C&R, KARACHI,
WILL BE TRAVELING ON DIPLOMATIC OR OFFICIAL PASSPORTS,
AND, THUS, SHOULD HAVE NO TROUBLE IN OBTAINING APPRO-
PRIATE ENTRY VISAS FOR ARRIVAL DURING THE APRIL 30-MAY 12
TIME-FRAME. WE STRONGLY SUGGEST THAT THESE VISAS BE
OBTAINED IN WASHINGTON AND KARACHI RESPECTIVELY. THEY
WILL ONLY BE GIVEN ENTRY VISAS; WE WILL EXPEDITE ATTAIN-
ING EXIT VISAS AFTER THEIR ARRIVAL.

2. TRAVEL OF MRS. GRAHAM MIGHT BECOME COMPLICATED
IF SHE IS TRAVELING ON A TOURIST PASSPORT. IF SO,
WE CAN TRY TO EXPEDITE HER ENTRY AT KABUL AIRPORT
BY SENDING HER AN OFFICIAL LETTER STATING THAT
SHE IS JOINING HER HUSBAND WHO IS ON OFFICIAL
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ASSIGNMENT HERE. IF SHE IS TRAVELING ON A DIP-
LOMATIC PASSPORT, WE STRONGLY SUGGEST THAT SHE
OBTAIN AN ENTRY VISA AT THE SAME TIME AS MR.
GRAHAM. PLEASE ADVISE.

3. ALL ACCEPTABLE HOTELS, AND EVEN SOME UNACCEPT-
ABLE ONES, HAVE BEEN APPROPRIATED IN TOTO BY GOA

FOR THE DURATION OF THE CONFERENCE. RESERVATIONS HAVE,
THEREFORE, BEEN MADE AT THE AMERICAN COMMUNITY ASSOCIA-
TION STAFF HOUSE FOR APRIL 30-MAY 14 FOR GRAHAM,
AND FOR APRIL 30 - MAY 13 FOR KIMBALL. PLEASE ADVISE
IF WE SHOULD MAKE ANY FURTHER ARRANGEMENTS FOR
MRS. GRAHAM'S STAY IN AFGHANISTAN.
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